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LOK SABHA

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EXCAVATION AND DRILLING IN COCHIN-HIGH
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any drilling operations are taking place in Cochin-High;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the present status of drilling in Cochin-High?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) to (c) Under the PSC Regime, 17 exploratory blocks have been awarded in the Kerala- Konkan Basin Offshore Area. So far, two exploratory wells have been drilled. Both the wells were found to be dry.

Currently no exploratory drilling activity is taking place in the blocks awarded in the Kerala- Konkan Basin under the PSC Regime.